



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Date August 11, 2008

In re the Application of

Kotaro SHIMA

Group Art Unit: 3679

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Examiner: V. MACARTHUR

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For: BALL JOINT

**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND
TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17**

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired July 11, 2008, an extension of time for a period of 1 month is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. 208815 in the amount of \$120 in payment for:

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